DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES 744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE 1-33-98

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CalWORKS) PROGRAM, FAMILY PLANNING INFORMATION PROJECT, WOMEN'S PACKET

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL		
[}	State Law Change
[]	Federal Law Change or
		Regulation Change
I]	Court Order
[]	Clarification Requested by
		One or More Counties
		Initiated by CDSS

This notice introduces the new Women's Packet, developed by the CalWORKs Family Planning Information Project. The 6" x 9" packet contains a variety of brochures about family planning related information, and can be provided to CalWORKs recipient women at county welfare offices.

Women's Packet Envelope - The outer packet envelope carries the message "It's your body - It's your family - It's your responsibility". This message is intended to encourage women to take advantage of the free services available to help them achieve and maintain better health for themselves and their families. The envelopes also provide the toll-free Office of Family Planning telephone number giving the locations of local family planning services providers and listing types of services available.



Contents - Inside the packets are five brochures providing up-to-date, accurate information about birth control methods, abstinence, sexually transmitted diseases, HIV and breast cancer. The packets and all contents are available in English and Spanish.

Distribution - The packets will be available for distribution in June 1998. An introductory packet will be sent to CalWORKs program managers and Cal-Learn Coordinators in each county. The introductory packets will include samples of the Women's Packets, posters and an order form. Orders will be filled on a first come, first serve basis; however, due to the cost of this product, quantities are limited and will initially be prorated based on caseload size. Should some counties not order their pro rata share, additional distributions will be made to counties requesting more packets than previously released. Distribution by county staff should be targeted to women of child-bearing age who can most benefit from the information within the packet.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Cindy Stone, Work Services/Teen Programs, by phone at (916) 653-5961, or by fax at (916) 654-1516.

Sincerely,

Work Services Branch